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To: Cities, Counties, and Special Districts

Subject: Fiscal Year 2011 Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Grant Program,
Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program,
Severe Repetitive Loss (SRL) Program

In anticipation of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) release of the Fiscal Year 2011 Hazard Mitigation grant programs (PDM, FMA, SRL), the California Emergency Management Agency (Cal EMA) is announcing the Hazard Mitigation 2011 grant cycle. Federal funds will be made available nation-wide to fund cost-effective mitigation projects and the development of local multi-hazard mitigation plans. State and local governments, special districts, public colleges and universities, and federally recognized American Indian tribes are eligible to apply.

The Hazard Mitigation Assistance Unified Guidance, dated June 1, 2010, is available at <http://www.calema.ca.gov>. This document provides information on subapplicant and activity eligibility as well as other grant requirements including the performance period, funding limits, cost effectiveness, environmental review, and documentation minimums.

All subgrant applicants will be required to submit a Notice of Interest (NOI). The NOI is available on the Cal EMA Web Site, and must be completed and submitted electronically by July 29, 2010. No late NOIs will be accepted. Cal EMA will review the NOIs and provide an eligibility determination via e-mail. An approved NOI is required for each subgrant application.

Subgrant applications must be completed using FEMA's electronic grant (eGrant) management system. Subgrant applicants can access the FEMA eGrant system at <https://portal.fema.gov>. Subgrant applicants receiving notification that their NOI has been approved will be invited to attend grant workshops. Workshops will be scheduled in August or September of 2010.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Hazard Mitigation Branch at (916) 845-8150.

Sincerely,


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